Rocks

March 2 — Mrs. Mary Alice Staples and Wilson and Mrs. Ethel Paulette and Mrs. Mary Inge spent Tuesday with Mrs. Mildred Inge and Mrs. Toby Inge.

Mrs. Otis Ranson was visiting Mrs. Maude Ranson recently.

Pvt. John Harris, of Fort Jackson, S. C., spent a few hours at his home last week end.

Friends are sorry to hear Jim Frank Ranson was rushed to Lynchburg General Hospit a Thursday night and was operated on Friday morning. We wish him a speedy recovery. Mrs. Jim Frank Ranson was at the bedside of her husband Friday and that night.

Miss Catherine Ranson spent Saturday night with her father at Lynchburg General Hospital.

Mrs. Thurman Wilcox and Anita, of Roanoke, spent the week end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ranson and Mrs. Marks.

Mrs. Mildred Inge spent a few days last week at Appomattox with Mrs. Kate Dinkins.

Mrs. Carl Almond, who had an operation at Medical College Hospital in Richmond, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Franklin and children of Appomattox and Mrs. Jennie Almond, of Pamplin, spent Sunday with the latter's daughter-in-law, Mrs. Carl Almond, of near Richmond.

Everyone was glad to see Mrs. Clarence Richardson at church Sunday after being sick.

It was a rough winter day here Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Dickerson were visiting the latter's sister, Mrs. Clarence Richardson, one afternoon last week.

Debbie Roach had chicken pox last week.

Emmett Dinkins, of Falls Church spent a few hours with his mother, Mrs. Kate Dinkins, at Appomattox Sunday.

The Week of Prayer for Home Missions and the in gathering of the Annie Armstrong offering will be in progress Monday, March 2 at 7 p.m. at the church and Friday, March 6 at 5 p.m. for Program. Covered dish supper at 6 p.m. and Program at 7 p.m. at the church.

Pamplin

Mrs. Nettie Dresser Martin and Mrs. Rachael Lawson were visitors recently of Miss Flora Belle Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Melville Pittenger, of Harrisonburg, were guest of the latter's mother, Mrs. Bessie Wilkerson, Sunday, Feb. 23.

Mrs. Woodrow Williams returned home from the Virginia Baptist Hospital last Sunday and is recuperating nicely in her home here at the present time.

Recent visitors of Mrs. H. T. Terry and of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Terry, of Appomattox, were relatives as follows— Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ballio, of Norfolk; Mr. and Mrs. Hermon Wingfield, of Richmond; Mr. and Mrs. George Abbitt Terry of Washington, D. C.; and Mrs. P. A. Robinson and son, Lucius, of Charlotte C. H.

Mrs. E. L. Pankey and daughter, Sandra, were on the sick list all last week due to 'Influenza". Sandra is better and will be attending school this week if the weather permits.

Saturday overnight guests of Mrs. Eunice Baldwin were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Baldwin and small daughter, Janet Lynn, of Lynchburg. Other recent visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kowalsky and children, Barbara and Donavo, of Lynchburg; Mr. and Mrs. Gene Baldwin, of Appomattox; Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Baldwin and two small sons, of Phenix; Mr. and Mrs. Carol Layne.

Mrs. E. T. Wilson and Mr. Harry Isbell, of Richmond, were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs E. N. Cunningham.

Sunday Feb. 23, Beulah Cobb, Mrs. E. L. Pankey and Sandra and Helen Adams motored to Cullen and visited in the home of their aunt, Mrs. Florence Dickerson. They also called in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Parsons while there. Mrs. Dickerson remains very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Beale and son, Barry, went to see Mr. Beale's brother last Sunday afternoon, Mr. and Mrs. Norris Beale, in Lynchburg.

Mrs. W. R. Brightwell and daughter, Billy Star, motored to Midlothian Sunday and spent the day in the home of her sister, Mrs. L. T. Fraker, where relatives met to celebrate her father's birthday, Mr. J. E. Wootton.

Mayor and Mrs. R. F. Williams motored to Cambridge recently and spent the week end with Mrs. William's mother and other relatives there.

Miss Betsy Williams spent this week end here with her parents. Betsy is a Junior at R.P.I. in Richmond this year.

Other guests in the Williams home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Austin Goode and family, of Dillwyn, and Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Williams of Farmville.

Mr. Walter Garrison was released from Virginia Baptist Hospital last Friday afternoon and is spending a few days with his daughter, near Lynchburg. He expects to return home soon. His condition is much improved.

Mrs. Charles Ramsey and small daughter, Greggs, visited Dr. and Mrs. C. H. McCall Saturday afternoon.

The last dose of the Sabin Vaccine was administered here Sunday hours from 12-5. Apparently the usual recipients were present to receive their dosage.

BREAKING THE NEWS

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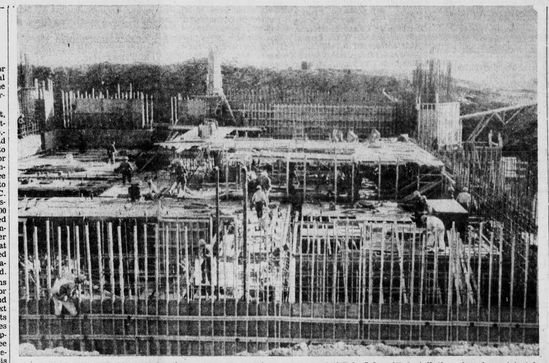
Underground Microwave Relay Station



Workmen are busy with construction of the AT&T microwave facility being built atop Spears Mountain in Buckingham County. The huge underground building is scheduled for completion in July, with installation of equipment to take an additional nine months, according to Frank E. Smith, AT&T supervising engineer.

Relay Station Being Built By AT&T

Direct dialing and the new micro-wave station being built atop Spears Mountain represent two of the many improvements in telephone transmission being developed by American Telephone and Telegraph Company.

Construction of the Spears Mountain station, located approximately seven miles east of Bent Creek and about 3 miles north of U. S. 60 in Buckingham county, is expected to be complete in July, according to Frank E. Smith, AT&T supervising engineer.

Underground Installation

The huge facility, 30,000 square feet underground, was started in December and is expected to be placed in operation early next year. The George A. Fuller Co. of New York is general contractor. Bruce H. Meyer is project manager.

The station is part of a nationwide construction program by AT&T. There are three such micro-wave stations planned for Virginia, one in North Carolina, and one in Maryland, according to Smith.

At the Spears Mountain location removal of some 80,000 cubic yards of dirt will result in an excavation approximately 200 by 200 feet and 45 feet deep.

The project manager, Bruce H. Meyer, said that about 120 men are presently employed in various phases of the project and the number will increase to around 200 as the building program progresses. Construction is expected to be completed in July.

About 50 specialists will then install equipment in the facility, Smith said, requiring an additional nine months before the facility is operational.

When in operation, the station will require less than a dozen men to operate it.

When completed, the building will be about 100 feet square and 30 feet high with two floors. It will be heavily reinforced and completely under ground except for an entrance building. A hard surfaced parking lot, 160 by 60 feet, will also be built, he said.

Long Distance Calls

Smith explained that microwave transmission carries long distance calls, that at least part of every long distance call made today probably is carried by microwave. "Eventually all telephone will be underground," he said. "When you make a call, you cannot tell whether it is being transmitted by wire or microwave," he said.

Both local labor and imported workers are assisting in the Spears Mountain project, with a number of newcomers in the Appomattox area.

License Fees Now $15.00

The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles today issued an appeal for public cooperation during the automobile license renewal period beginning March 15.

In a prepared statement, Commissioner C. H. Lamb noted out that the more than 1,800,000 auto license applications had been manufactured, sorted as to post offices and prepared for mailing prior to the recent enactment of the new auto fee hikes. "Of primary interest to the average motorist", said C. H. Lamb, "is the fact that passenger cars weighing 4,000 pounds or less will be required to pay $15.00 for new 1964 license plates. Those weighing over 4,000 pounds are charged a flat fee of $20.00 when accompanied by a proper certification of liability insurance," he explained.

"License applications forms were mailed to Virginia Motor vehicle owners on March 8, and should be received in the next several days. To those motorists who apply for new license plates by mail, inclusion in their applications of the correct new fee will avoid inconvenience and delay and enable us to process this work on a current basis," Lamb explained.

Other fee hikes passed by the Legislature on an emergency basis and effective March 14, include:

1. A minimum truck fee of $17.00, with other larger trucks proportionately higher;

2. A title fee of $5.00 and a fee of $5.00 for supplemental lien titles.

"Strange-Acting" Fox Killed Sunday

The head of a gray fox, killed Sunday morning by Lawrence Clements of Route 1, Appomattox, has been sent to Richmond

Clements, looking over his cattle in a field close to his home, said a fox "kept coming at me." When the fox got within ten feet, and still did not turn to run away, Clements shot him.

Graham Pitsenberger, county sanitarian, said such examinations are routine if animals, wild or domesticated, "act strangely." Pitsenberger said that there is no known rabies in this county, that the dog vaccination program seems to be effective in controlling rabies. Such vaccination, mandatory for all dogs, is supposed to be effective for three years, he said

Pitsenber said Monday night that anyone who is bitten by an animal, either wild or domestic, which "acts strangely" should report to his physician immediately.

Panel Will Discuss Discipline

A psychiatrist, a minister, and a teacher will make up the panel for a discussion on the theme, "Child Problems," at the March 19 meeting of the Appomattox Elementary School P-TA. Meeting time: 8 p.m.

Discipline, Early Training for Discipline, "Why Discipline", and Effective Means of Disciplining the Child" will be discussed by a panel composed of Dr. Terrell Wingfield, a psychiatrist of Lynchburg, Dr. Arthur Brown minister of the Peakland Baptist Church, Lynchburg, and Mrs. Julian Hesson, 7th grade teacher, who will serve on the panel to answer any questions relating to school discipline.

Reverend Millard G. Stimpson Character and Spiritual Education Committee chairman of the P-TA, says that following the formal discussion period, there will be time for a question and answer period. "We are asking that questions be written out prior to the meeting and mailed to or given to Millard G. Stimpson, P-TA president Billy Conner, or Principal Randall Hill," he said. "Other questions, however, may be brought to the meeting, or written out during the discussion."

Dr. Wingfield, the psychiatrist scheduled to speak, is a graduate of Duke University School of Medicine, with internship and residency at the University of Virginia Hospital. Dr. Wingfie'd holds staff appointments at the local hospitals of Lynchburg, having served as Chief of Psychiatric Service at these hospitals. In addition to his private practice of psychiatry, Dr. Winsfield is college psychiatrist for Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Sweet Briar College and Lynchburg College.

DR. TERRELL WINGFIELD

Farmers Vote Leaf Controls

If the fire cured tobacco vote here on February 28 reflects the general vote throughout the Virginia, Kentucky, and Tennessee, then the present tobacco program for fire-cured growers will continue with penalties on marketings of excess tobacco, and price supports on the 1964, 1965, and 1966 crops of fire cured tobacco.

In Appomattox 437 voted in favor of the present program: 17 against. Total vote was about approximately 62 per cent of the eligible voters, according to ASCS office manager, Newton Jennings. Results of the entire vote were not available at press time.

Honor Club Collects For Red Cross

The weather Tuesday night was windy and quite cool, but eight 4-H members with warm hearts and a willingness to help others canvassed part of the town of Appomattox collecting funds for the Red Cross.

Response was very good, according to County Fund Drive chairman Reverend M. G. Stimpson. County goal is $2,000, almost twice the amount collected last year. Mrs. Ben Marshall is house-to-house canvass chairman.

The 4-Her's on the march Tuesday are members of the Honor Club, the 4-H organization composed of members of high achievement in club activities. Those who helped: N. H. Jones, Ann Carol Dickerson, Fayne Dickerson, Joe Terry, Lynda Hall, Betty Jo Richardson, Jimmy Martin, and Richard Martin.

Rev. Stimpson told the young people the Red Cross funds would be used to pay for Blood-mobile administration costs, would help Appomattox servicemen and women, and would help provide for other services rendered by Mrs. Don Moses, Home Service worker. An active Red Cross chapter in Appomattox will mean help for people in distress, he said.

A EVEANN MOORE

n Moore Now Appox. High

n pale pink organza Eveann Moore received enthusiastic round of ap- e she was declared ppomattox High Friday e climax to the Mono- ah's Variety Show.

pianist and church enjoys both indoor and activities. She was AHS n captain, enjoys swim- water skiing, and list- eleaders, SCA, Future ers, and the Beta Club er school interests.

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is the daughter of and Mrs. O. D. Moore mattox.

Grant's Headquarters Century Ago Razed Following Collapse Of Wall

General Grant's headquarters, the two days preceding Appomattox, lies in ruins in nearby Farmville, the aftermath to a crashing collapse of a huge section of Prince Edward Hotel.

The renovation of Prince Edward Hotel, known also as Randolph House, was about one-third complete when a section of rear hotel wall collapsed Monday, March 2.

Owner Joseph Wood and his consultants mapped plans to save the southern wing and its Lee-Grant room, along with the adjoining Morton's Tavern, the oldest brick building in Prince Edward county.

On Saturday, however, new cracks developed in remaining hotel and tavern walls, apparently the result of attempts to raze the damaged wings while salvaging the rest. The new damage made rescue untenable The owner made the only decision left him— the entire building must be razed, a sad task completed by Sunday afternoon.

Financial loss to Wood has been estimated at about $125,000. He had purchased the property last September for $40,000 and had planned to spend about $200,000 in restoration. Furniture from the hotel will be put to public auction, he said.

The end of the hotel came, ironically, a little more than a year before the 100th anniversary of its most prominent moment as General Grant's headquarters from which he wrote the dispatches to Lee leading to Confederate surrender at Appomattox. Lee had also stayed there briefly April 7, 1865, a few hours before the Union general arrived. Both generals used the same room.

Col. Richard Anderson Booker, officer in General Lee's Army of Northern Virginia, was a war-time proprietor.

On the morning of April 7, 1865, Lee rested there briefly before conferring with Secretary of War John C. Breckenridge, Quartermaster General A. R. Lawton and Commissary General I. M. St John at the Patrick H. Jackson home in Farmville. Lee then rejoined his forces across the Appomattox river in Cumberland county.

About noon the same day Grant arrived and set up his headquarters at the Randolph House. From that base, he opened correspondence with the Confederate leader. The first of his notes — later known as the "effusion of blood" notes — stated:

"The result of the last week must convince you of the hopelessness of further resistance on the part of the Army of Northern Virginia in this struggle. I feel that it is so, and regard it as my duty to shift from myself the responsibility of any further effusion of blood, by asking of you the surrender of that portion of the Confederate States Army known as the Army of Northern Virginia."

Lee received the note at a Cumberland church. He replied he disagreed about hopelessness of resistance but added, "I reciprocate your desire to avoid the useless effusion of blood," and asked what might be surrender conditions.

On April 8, Grant, still at the hotel, answered in part, "I would say that peace being my great desire, there is but one condition that I would insist upon, namely, that the men and officers surrendered shall be disqualified for taking up arms again against the government of the United States . . ."

Notice Parents

If your child begins school next September, please send his or her name, birth date, parent's name and address to the principal of the school to which he will attend. A child has to be six years old on or before October 1, 1964 in order to attend school next school session.

Contained Lee-Grant Room

WATKINS M. ABBITT

Abbitt Elected To Honor Group By U. Of R.

By Calvin Robinson

Rep. Watkins M. Abbitt, of Appomattox, was honored yesterday by his alma mater, the University of Richmond, with election to the honor society of distinguished students and alumni, Omicron Delta Kappa. Rep. Abbitt was so honored from the alumni, and nine students were also tapped for the honor at convocation ceremonies at Cannon Memorial Chapel.

Abbitt was a member of the 1931 class at the Universityn T. C. Williams School of Law. He represents the Fourth Congressional District in Congress and is State Chairman of the Democratic Party.

ODK is a national honor society to recognize outstanding students and alumni for excellence in leadership.

Rescue Squad Cinderblock Sale Saturday

If you don't have extra cinderblock around the house and you're interested in the building of the county Rescue Squad building, there's an unusual sale going on this Saturday at West End Market, Appomattox.

The Appomattox Rescue Squad will be selling cinderblock at twenty-five cents per block. All sales, of course, will go toward the construction of the Rescue Squad building located at the rear of West End Market.

The Squad made arrangements with a cinder block concern for the sale. They ask everyone's cooperation in this unusual sale which will help them greatly in their efforts to construct a building.

Farmers Of Pamplin To Discuss Market

Dr. Gene McMurtry, associate extension economist for public affairs, will discuss with the Pamplin Adult Farmer Class on Thursday night, March 19, in the Pamplin Elementary School, the European Common Market. Dr. McMurtry is on the staff of the Agricultural Economics Department at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, and has spent a great deal of study on the Common Market. He has traveled to Europe to get a first hand account. In his discussion with the Pamplin farmers, he will point out how the situation in Europe will affect the agriculture program here in Virginia and Appomattox County. Interested persons in the Pamplin area are invited to attend this meeting and hear the speaker.

On Thursday night, March 12, the Pamplin farmers will discuss the latest research in dark-fired tobacco production as well as the present situation in the marketing of dark-fired tobacco. Mr. R. D. Sears, manager of the Charlotte Court House Experiment Station, and Mr. Tom Hall, general manager of the Virginia Dark - Fired Tobacco Growers Marketing Association, will be present to lead the discussion.

The Pamplin Adult Farmer Class is supervised by the instructors of vocational agriculture at Appomattox High School and is promoted by the Pamplin Ruritan Club.

County TB Tests All Negative

First grade students of the county, 136 white and 64 colored, were given Tuberculin tests in February, Dr. F. J. Clements, Director of the Appomattox County Health Department, announced Monday that all tests were negative.

The tuberculin test, according to Dr. Clements' explanation, is a "simple harmless one which reveals whether or not tuberculosis germs are in the body. Many healthy children at one time or another have been exposed to tuberculous infection, and as a result, some have unknowingly become infected," he said.

"In most children there is no reaction to the tuberculin test; the child has not been infected, whether exposed or not.

If the test had been doubtful or even positive in any of the children, the child would have received a chest x-ray, provide without cost as part of the survey program, Dr. Clements said.

In cases of positive or doubtful tests, every adult in the household is invited to have a chest x-ray and every child under 18 years of age, a tuberculin test.

Ashworth Award Established

The R. N. Ashworth family has established an award in the area of farm mechanics in the Department of Vocational Agriculture at Appomattox High School in the memory of the late Richard N. Ashworth. Mr. Ashworth had taught vocational agriculture at the high school for seventeen years before his death in May, 1963.

The award is to be made to the individual enrolled in vocational agriculture that has made the most outstanding accomplishments in the area of farm mechanics. Also the recipient must be in good standing in the FFA Chapter, have a satisfactory scholastic record, demonstrated outstanding skill in farm mechanics, and be of good character.

The selection committee will be composed of the local instructors of vocational agriculture and the principal of Appomattox High School. A special award pin will be presented to the individual selected for the award. In addition his name will be engraved on a plaque to be displayed in the vocational agriculture classroom.

The award this year will be presented at the annual banquet of the Robert E. Lee FFA Chapter.

Lions Meeting

Appomattox Lions Club will meet tonight at 6:45 p.m. at Maude's Restaurant.